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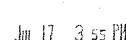
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> MUR 4719 - New Jersey Republican RE:

> > State Committee and H. George Buckwald, as Treasurer

Dear Ms. Lebeat x:

As you know, this office represents the New Jersey Republican State Committee and H. George Buckwall (collectively "NJRSC"). I am writing to request an additional extension of time in which to respond to your June 11, 1998 transmittal. There is certainly interest on the part of the NJRSC to conciliation; however, as I explained, I need to go through the "Attachment" denoting the 1995-1996 Nonfederal overpayment with the NJRSC's prior accountant before NJRSC can fully analyze the benefits of early conciliation. I have attempted two meetings and have not yet been able to meet and review this material with this prior accountant. To accomplish this, I will need additional time and request consent for same from your office.

Thank you for your courtesy.

Very truly yours,

Dorothy A. Harbeck

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